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70/199. United Nations forest instrument

The General Assembly,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/49 of 28 July 2006, in which the Council adopted the global objectives on forests with the timeline for review in 2015,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 62/98 of 17 December 2007, in which the Assembly adopted the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests,

Recalling further Economic and Social Council resolution 2015/33 of 22 July 2015, entitled "International arrangement on forests beyond 2015", adopted on the recommendation of the United Nations Forum on Forests at its eleventh session,[1]

Taking note of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 2015 to the General Assembly,[2]

Decides to extend the timeline of the global objectives on forests to 2030, in line with the timeline of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,[3] and to rename the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests the United Nations forest instrument, recognizing that the voluntary, non-binding character of the forest instrument, as set out in the principle embodied in paragraph 2 (*a*) of the instrument, remains unchanged.

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[1] See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2015, Supplement No. 22* and corrigendum (E/2015/42 and Corr.1), chap. I, sect. B.

[2] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventieth Session, Supplement No. 3* (A/70/3).

[3] Resolution 70/1.

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